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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Rawlins *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/986,764

Filed: November 9, 2001

For: **Method and Apparatus for
Reducing DC Offsets In A
Communication System**

Confirmation No.: 5623

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**Reply to Restriction Requirement, Election of Species, and
Preliminary Amendment**

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated **February 3, 2003** (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 5), Applicants submit the following Election, Preliminary Amendment, and Remarks. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent